

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

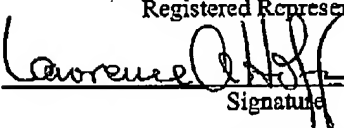
Claims 35 and 48 have been amended to eliminate the redundant recitation of "in the housing", and to replace the potentially ambiguous phrase "along the main portion of the flow path" with the phrase -- in the main portion of the flow path --. These claims have not been narrowed by the amendments, and remain generic.

Also, new claim 61 (directed to one of the non-elected species) has been added to provide applicant with additional protection to which he appears to be entitled in light of the known prior art.

In view of the foregoing, favorable consideration and allowance of this application are respectfully solicited.

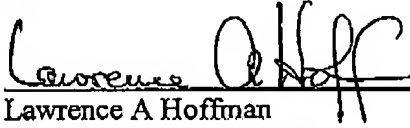
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